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In the matter of 1998 biennial Regulatory Review - Amendment of Part 97 of the Amateur Service Rules FCC WT Docket 98-143

I agree with the proposal to eliminate The Novice & Tech. Plus Licensing, and Grandfather Thoes who have all ready passed the 5 Words Per Min UNTIL They Pass the General Written. (No time limit on The Grandfathering the 5 Words Per Min).

I feel that C.W. requirements in Today's World are No longer a Necessary requirement in To Days Communications

Their for the 20 Words per min. should be Dropped from The Extra Class leaving 5 W.P.M. for ALL Classer Except Extra and reduce the requirement from 20 wpm To 13 W P.M. ^{For Just Extra} Why ->

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OK

C.W should & WILL Never become a lost art or form of Communications. There are 1000's of active hams who like, love, & use CW only.

The 5 Words Per min gives every one a chance to taste C.W. as they enter Ham Radio. Those who like it will soon become 7-10-15-&20+ WPM on their own, Those who don't, won't use it again.

The Code should reflect Understandable Copy which more reflects the real world of Code as they will become to know it. I am a VE Tester & have seen many-many people get the gist of the Copy when it is multi choice and fail because they missed a few words etc.

I agree with both the FCC & the ARRL (VE certified) should advanced class operators be allowed to administer the General class code & theory exams, on elements which they themselves have qualified for. (YES)

The EXTRA class should be Just That "extra." 13 w.p.m. Code, 5 or 10 more questions on FCC rules & Regulations, Particularity Rule 97.119, which many over look in Round Tables. Extra should continue to enjoy ^{The} Extra Freq^s They Now have, and Earned.

I strongly believe that the CW portions of all HF ^{& VHF & UHF} Bands be RE listed as Both CW & Phone IN Each Class, affording greater band width To ALL, as Phone Isn't much hurt CW when CW Comes on The Phone Band. This will still allow the Extra Class To ~~still~~ have Some Freq^s for Them Selves.

Enforcement:

Now here is an Area That Needs a Complete Over haul. Being a Certified OO it is frustrating

We Know your local offices are Under Staffed IN almost every area of the Country, and that most of your efforts must go To Commercial & essential Communications like "Aviation" and "Public Safety" but Even Though Amateur Radio is basically Self Policed we Need enforcement with Teeth or Jaws. The Government can and often Does produce Rules, Laws, PENALTY'S and a like, but NOTHING really happens UNTIL Their is Enforcement That Works.

I Know of Two ways ^{Reasonable} ~~good~~ enforcement can be obtained, but They both Cost Money, but ALL enforcement Cost's, and unless money is Made available To do This, No iEnforcement will result. And the Show goes ON. & ON.

① When 3 or more ops record the same violation on the same call, freq, time & date and have issued a Observer Advisory Notice, and the violations continue, a Federal Subpoena be issued to that call in a local Federal Court, to testify as to why they should not lose their license, equipment, be fined and or incarcerated for such activity. Cooperation on their behalf may reduce any or all of the above. (Thus catch one catch almost all.)

② Buy 1 now for a total of 4 ^{later} UN marked motor homes loaded with HF-VHF & higher gear plus directional antenna. Two FCC employed each vehicle. Catch 1 invoke the above and all will come out not to mention as the motor home travels the amount of CB linear & out of band operators

I recommended a Motor home over a Van because
① it can be easily hidden almost out in the open.
② it can hold living Quarters for the operators.
③ it can hold all equipment needed including a Generator
④ It can hide in R.V. Camp Grounds un noticed for Days or Wks. if need be. These Camp Grounds are all over the Country and Near by all Cities.

Start with 1 Unit first, **ALL** Fines & Equipment Taken can be used to finance the operation (Just like the Drug people do.) and you will have No Trouble Selling Taken Equipment. Enforcement is the Key & the ONLY Key to Compliance. When people are caught it must be advertized, once the word gets out & often Compliance will happen more often